

RED CROSS MONTHLY PLEDGES \$1,422.34 AT CAMPAIGN CLOSE

SPLENDID SHOWING BY LOCAL PEOPLE

Over 1100 Names on List and Pledges Run from 8 Cents to \$25 Monthly for Year Period

Shows Conclusively Loyalty of Brainerd and Fact That the Whole City is Enthusiastic over Red Cross

The Red Cross monthly pledge campaign closed today with an aggregate of \$1,422.34, considered a splendid showing by local people in the interests of the great work being accomplished by the organization.

All pledge cards on which the first payment has not been made should be turned in and paid today, as the committee must now arrange to make the monthly collections. There are over 1100 names on the list and the donations range from 8c to \$25.00 a month. It will be no small task to collect and keep an accurate accounting of these pledges and the committee met today to consider a plan whereby it may be accomplished at the least expense and in a systematic manner.

Donors are requested to defer their future payments until April 15 at which time the system of collections and other details of the arrangements will become operative. All first payments, however must be in today.

The balance of the donors will be published tomorrow.

Mackensen Leaves For the West Front

(By United Press)
Paris, April 4.—Newspaper dispatches say Mackensen has left for the west front.

PLANS ITALIAN ATTACK

Ludendorff Preparing For Drive, Says British Expert.

General Maurice Asserts That Great Battles of 1918 Have Only Just Begun.

London, April 4.—Major General F. B. Maurice, chief director of military operations, in his weekly talk says: "There are indications that an Austrian attack on Italy is in preparation and we shall not be surprised if it develops before long."

"Ludendorff is beginning to prepare the German people for a very big butcher bill," General Maurice declared, commenting on the changed tone of the German communications.

"It is futile to suppose the operations are ended. It is now earlier than the beginning of the 1917 offensive. The whole 1918 campaigning season is ahead."

German Forces Congested.
"The Germans are in two main masses divided by the Somme," Maurice said.

"There is a great state of congestion, which they are trying to reduce to order. Conditions are particularly bad for them in the northern area, thanks to the Third army's deliberate retirement and systematic destruction. For instance, they mined the Epauville-Arras road, leaving an enormous crater between two old craters."

"We are now continually bombing the enemy, which accounts for the enemy bringing up guns."
"All evidences are that the German losses are considerably heavier than ours."
"The enemy's report of guns captured on one side of the zone exceeds the total we had."

GETS ADDITIONAL SHIPS

Japan Agrees to Turn Over to U. S. 450,000 Tons.

Ambassador Morris Arranges for Tonnage Greatly in Excess of First Estimates.

Tokio, April 4.—An agreement has been concluded under which Japan will turn over to the United States 450,000 tons of shipping, it is learned from an authoritative source.

The amount of tonnage to be made available by Japan is considerably in excess of previous estimates. A dispatch received from Tokio said the amount was given by the Japanese newspapers as 250,000 tons.

Of this total 150,000 tons will be supplied immediately in return for no consideration except the chartering rates of the Allies. The Japanese government will make up the difference between this payment and the far eastern rate involving an expenditure of 18,000,000 men.

Another 100,000 tons of new ships will be delivered between May and December in exchange for an equal tonnage of steel. The remaining 200,000 tons will be turned over as constructed later upon terms which are mutually regarded as very satisfactory.

The plan was arranged by the American ambassador, Roland S. Morris, with the fullest cooperation on the part of the government and shipbuilders.

TO STRENGTHEN ALLIED LINE

Americans to Play Noble Part in Death Drains, Lane Says.

Washington, April 4.—American troops will thicken the Allied western line, now thin, the climax of the great drama of death will find America playing a noble part, contributing much by her sacrifice and devotion to beating down the German menace.

So declared Secretary of the Interior Lane in a speech opening the "Americanization conference" here.

"It is a thin line that holds the Kaiser back," he said, "but it is a line in which there is more of spirit and more of resolution than in any line the world has seen, because it has more to live for and more to die for than any group of men ever gathered together."

U. S. AIRMEN COMPLIMENTED

British War Office Says Their Service is Invaluable.

London, April 4.—The British war office pays a compliment to American airmen in the official statement issued on aerial operations.

"During the last fortnight of intense fighting in the air," says the statement, "the assistance rendered by the personnel of the American air service attached to the Royal Air Service has been invaluable."

Seditious Preacher Sheared.

Sulphur, Okla., April 4.—Because Rev. A. J. Capers, 72 years old, is alleged to have declared recently in Murray county he would never have his hair cut until Germany emerged victorious from the war, 60 young men of his vicinity, awaiting draft call, invaded Capers' room in a local hotel while he was asleep, and, with shears and a razor, shaved his head clean. His ironing locks were distributed among the party as trophies of war. The minister was compelled to kiss the flag.

LIEUT. THEO. MARBURG

Commander Royal Flying corps flies despite loss of leg.



Lieutenant Theodore Marburg, who is in charge of Royal Flying corps, is the son of Theodore Marburg, former minister to Belgium. Lieutenant Marburg was at Oxford when the war broke out and secured a commission in the Royal Flying corps. He lost one leg a year later while flying and since then has qualified a second time as pilot. His wife is Baroness Gisela de Viverio.

German Spies Murder Night Watchman For Public Information

(By United Press)
Washington, April 4.—James King, night watchman for the committee on public information, was mysteriously murdered while on duty, presumably by German spies. The revolver he carried was snapped four times without exploding proving the struggle with his assailant. The murder occurred apparently between 4:30 and 5:30 this morning. No trace of the murderer has been found. A hurried search does not disclose that the murderer secured anything of highly valuable information which King was guarding. It has been learned that King and the negro janitor quarreled frequently, but the negro janitor is not here.

Negro is Suspected Murder of James King

Washington April 4.—The first belief that a spy murdered James King is being replaced by the suspicion of William Clements negro janitor with whom King often quarreled. Clements left home at the usual hour but failed to report for work.

Heavy Artillery French Penetrate Many Enemy Trenches

(By United Press)
Paris, April 4.—An official bulletin says artillery north of Montdidier assumed great intensity last night. Northwest of Rheims in the Chemin des Dames section where the Americans are training, in Champagne and along the left bank of the Meuse the French penetrated various enemy trenches taking some prisoners.

Delay For Naval Proving Ground Hampers Progress

(By United Press)
Washington, April 4.—Congressional delay in appropriating for the naval proving ground is hampering progress in developing America's gun, which will be able to shoot 165 miles. The appropriation for buying the ground has been cut from two to one million dollars.

Heavy Gun on New French Tank Now Used to Stay the Assault of the Germans



This new tank was completed by the French in time to take into the battle now raging on the Somme and for fifty miles up and down the British lines. Its chief feature is the new heavy gun, heavier than anything heretofore built on a tank. The arrow on the picture points to the gun. At the sides there are the usual machine guns, which have been used on tanks before.

GRAND DUKE MICHAEL

Brother of former czar reported imprisoned by workmen.



Former Grand Duke Michael Alexandrovitch, brother of the former emperor, has been arrested and imprisoned at Perm by order of the Perm council of workmen's and soldiers' delegates, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Petrograd. Grand Duke Michael refused the Russian throne when Czar Nicholas abdicated in his favor.

Wilson Will Answer Czernin That America Will Fight to Finish

(By United Press)
Washington, April 4.—President Wilson will answer Count Czernin's peace talk with assurances that America will fight to a finish. This is clearly indicated by administration officials who said all peace talk is now a fake. The president's war message will be delivered at Baltimore Saturday night.

Forces Thrown Back

(By United Press)
Petrograd, April 4.—Turko-German forces were thrown back 30 miles from Batum.

BIG CONSERVATION OF FOOD MEETING

Judge Frank T. Wilson of Stillwater to Address Gathering of Whole County at Brainerd

New System of Representation of All Interested will Insure a Record Attendance on April 12

Lindbergh Files For Governor as a Republican

(By United Press)
St. Paul, April 4.—C. A. Lindbergh former congressman from Little Falls, today filed with the secretary of state as a republican candidate for the nomination as governor of Minnesota. He is the first candidate to file. He has the endorsement of the National Nonpartisan league.

James Peterson Arrested Charged Espionage Act

(By United Press)
St. Paul, April 4.—James Peterson, prominent Minneapolis attorney, prominent politician who aspired to the governorship and U. S. senate, together with Editor Dehn, former newspaperman of Bendigo, were arrested charged with violation of the espionage act.

Daubed With Yellow Paint

(By United Press)
Sioux Falls, S. D., April 4.—The offices of Richard Pettigrew, former United States senator and prominent politician, were daubed with yellow paint by unknown men. Pettigrew is under indictment charged with violation of the espionage act. The word "beware" was painted on his office.

Lenroot by 12,000 Berger Poor Third

(By United Press)
Milwaukee, April 4.—Practically complete returns from every county in the state give Lenroot 148,302, Davies 136,162, Berger 102,611.

Would Bar German

(By United Press)
Washington, April 4.—Former Senator Young of Iowa, speaking before the Americanization conference urged the suspension of all German publications and prohibition of the German language in this country. Secretary of Interior Lane, George Creel and others objected as they said many were unable to read anything but German.

Ukrainian German Forces Seeking Odessa Repulsed

(By United Press)
Petrograd, April 4.—Ukrainian German forces seeking to recapture Odessa and Nicolaiev were repulsed. The Turko-German fleet headed toward Odessa were driven back by the Russian Black Sea fleet.

The County Association of Teachers of Crow Wing county has consented to give up their evening meeting for April 12 and have turned over their speaker, Judge Frank T. Wilson of Stillwater and their program to the Food Administration of Crow Wing county, and the latter are grateful for the kindness shown.

County Food Administrator Andrew E. Berglund has followed a new scheme of organization work for the meeting which will be held in the Brainerd opera house. He has under organization a church committee representing all churches. In the name of the government there has been summoned all ministers of the county, one or two delegates from each farm club, each fraternal order, each society in the churches, together with as many food dealers as can be possibly gotten to the meeting. County Agent E. A. Colquhoun will cooperate in the matter and the telephone will be used.

There will be a roll call. This will be accomplished by sending seat checks to each of the individuals named with the statement that they are expected to be there in person or by an alternate, and that roll call will be held at a certain hour and vacant seats of course, will disclose the organizations and interests that are not represented.

"It is extremely important that we get this food message to just as many people as possible, especially at this moment when wheat is of such paramount importance," wrote Judge Wilson.

County Food Administrator Berglund is having his letters printed and addressed, assistance having been given him by the Brainerd Business College pupils.

NEW RULES FOR CENSORSHIP

Naming of American Troop Units in War Zone Prohibited.

With the American Army in France, April 4.—The following are the most important provisions of the new censorship regulations which became effective at once:

"First—They must be accurate in statement and implication.
"Second—They must not supply military information to the enemy.
"Third—They must not injure the morale of our forces here or at home or among our allies.
"Fourth—They must not embarrass the United States or her allies in neutral countries.

"The foregoing conditions apply to every article written. The specific rules which follow are intended to explain them, but never to be considered as permitting the publication of anything which conflicts with those four contains."

Steel Shortage Delays Ship Building.

Washington, April 4.—The government shipyard at Hog Island, Pa., is short 50,000 tons of steel which should have been at the plant two weeks ago, for laying keels for new ships, the Senate commerce committee was told by George J. Baldwin, chairman of the board for the American International Shipbuilding corporation. The attention of the shipping board has been called to the shortage and it also has been presented to the war industries board and the priority board, Baldwin says.

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Musk a Chinese Monopoly.
Musk is one product of world commerce in which China practically enjoys a monopoly—not a large one, to be sure, since the annual output is at best only some \$400,000 gold, but the product itself is worth many times its weight in silver, and for that matter, gold as well, in these days of high exchange, says the Far Eastern Review, Chungking.

READ THE DISPATCH WANT ADS

THE WEATHER

Weather Forecast for Next 24 Hours:
Not much change.
Co-operative observer's record, 7 P. M.—
April 3, maximum 45, minimum 19.
Reading in evening, 39. Clear.
North wind.
April 4, minimum a night, 16.

LOCAL NEWS NOTES

News of Parties, Visitors, Visits, Deaths, Accidents, Etc., gratefully received by the Dispatch. Telephone North-west 74.
For Spring Water phone 264. tf
Wm. Karkainen went to St. Paul this afternoon.
Clark's for your wall paper. 251tf
George E. Brown, an electrician at the shops, has returned from a visit in St. Paul.
See Nettleton for real estate. 226tf
A. J. Elder, brother of James M. Elder, was a guest in the city of Mrs. James M. Elder. 252tf

Don't forget the Speedwell dance at Gardner auditorium Friday night, April 5. 257tf
Eyes examined, glasses fitted. Dr. E. E. Long, Ransford Bldg. 179tf
A grass fire near St. Joseph's hospital called out the fire department at 12:50 this afternoon.

Crystal Spring water, \$1.00 month. L. Bourassa, Telephone 13. 541m
George McCulloch went to Northfield this afternoon to attend a meeting of the Odd Fellow home board.
For rent—Vacuum cleaner, Castle Electric Co., 717 Laurel street. 251tf
Mrs. Ole Mortenson and children went to Litchfield this afternoon. She was accompanied by Miss Ruth Johnson who will visit with her.

Why not go to the Speedwell dance Friday night after the senior class play? 257tf
The funeral of Mrs. Winfred Rindin will be held on Friday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the Anderson school, Rev. Walter J. Smith officiating.
Standard Sewing Machines sold on easy terms. Folsom Music Co. 248tf

Taylor Frost of Renner, S. D., the guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Taylor of Merrifield, during the winter, has returned home.
Bargains in homes & lots, Nettleton. 230tf

Dr. J. H. Elioid has been joined by his wife and two children and his wife's mother. They are pleased with Brainerd and its environment.
The St. Paul Daily News delivered by carrier, daily and Sunday 40c a month. Phone 453. 214tf

BEST THEATRE
TODAY
"The Kaiser, the Beast of Berlin"

See Ad

There was a young man in Brainerd who bought lots from Nettleton, so I've heard, on the easy payment plan as every one can and his happiness may now be inferred. 1t
New Home Sewing Machines sold on easy terms. Folsom Music Co. 248tf
Rev. Constantine Olson, superintendent of the district, preached at the Swedish Bethany church on Wednesday evening. He left this afternoon for Deerwood.

For bargains in houses and lots, see J. R. Smith, Sleeper Block. 226tf

A small fire at the Northern Pacific hospital at 3:20 o'clock this afternoon burned a hole in the roof of the kitchen end. The fire truck made a fast run and quickly extinguished the blaze.

Electric cleaners for house cleaning. Electric Shop, near Postoffice. Phone N. W. 862-L. 252tf

Carl Adams has returned from Fairmont where he attended the funeral of his sister, Mrs. May Barto. She leaves a husband and two sons, one of the latter now being "over there."

Electric Vacuum cleaners for rent, delivered. Brainerd Electric Co., 718 Laurel. Phone N. W. 179, T. S. 6012. 252tf

A dance will be given by the Finnish Socialist Hall Company on Saturday, April 6, 1918, starting at 9 P. M. Admission, men 50 cents, ladies free. Good union music. 257tf

Elks Attention

Do Not Miss the Meeting
TONIGHT

17 Initiates. Installation of Officers. Good time and Good Feed.
Business Session 7:30
Initiation 8:30

Installation Follows.
PAUL G. CLARKSON.
Secretary.

The culture of rabbits has been taken up in Brainerd and many have visited P. B. Nettleton and secured the government bulletins on the subject. Dr. C. A. Nelson has started out with three rabbits. 250tf

Path Records. The Quality Record. W. J. Hall, Imperial Bldg. 248tf

Columbia Grafonolas \$18 to \$35.50. Folsom Music Co. 248tf

Carl Zapffe, county chairman of the Liberty Bond campaign, left this afternoon for Pequot where he will confer with his local chairman (from Jenkins and Pequot). In the evening there will be a large rally at Pequot and a talk on a war subject will be given by Mr. Zapffe. Next week he will deliver addresses at Cayuna and at Ironton, where large rallies are planned.

Edison Diamond Disc Phonographs plays all records. Folsom Music Co. 248tf

For a first class job of Oxy-Acetylene welding go to Herbert Peterson at the Woodhead Motor Co. garage. 13tf

SURGICAL DRESSING MEETINGS POSTPONED

On account of the exhibition at the Red Cross rooms the surgical dressing classes of Friday afternoon and evening will be postponed for this week only. *****

Store your household goods with D. M. Clark & Co. 129tf

A review of the home talent play aiding the Y. M. C. A. and its war work will be printed in Friday's Dispatch. A crowded house greeted the production. Unusual features which created interest were the four minute talks by the soldiers from the world war who in vivid language portrayed the desolation in France and the conviction that the Allies in their coming drive would soon turn the tables on the Germans.

The music at the Best accompanying the presentation of "The Kaiser, the Beast of Berlin," is a feature and treat. The orchestration includes Julius Witham, violinist and leader; Wm. Rodenkirchen, cello; Wm. Graham, cornet; Richard H. Rehl, clarinetist, and Miss Cecil Witham pianist. The score was selected by Mr. Witham and meets every demand of the intense situations revealed in the play. The theatre was crowded afternoon and evening Wednesday as large houses are assured tonight.

It is very gratifying to me to have the United States government endorsing, advocating and advertising by fine posters and otherwise, the very things I have been preaching for years and which is working out so well in Brainerd, but I go farther



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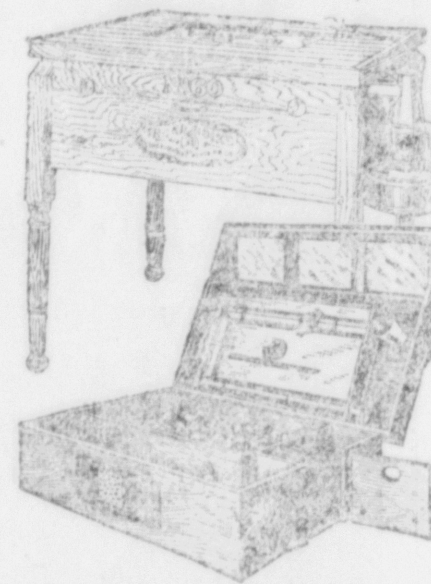
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HANG ON TO LIBERTY BONDS

Timely Warning to Those Who May Be Tempted to Trade Them for Unwise Investments.

Several million people who are not used to investing in stocks and bonds have of late become investors in the Liberty loan. The effect, we hear, has not escaped the attention of various bands of thieves, says a writer in the Saturday Evening Post.

The return upon an investment in government bonds—four per cent—seems small out in the country, where money loaned on good farm mortgages has been fetching six or seven or eight per cent. It is said some get-rich-quick artists are oiling up their old paraphernalia and preparing to accept Liberty bonds in exchange for engravings that promise far higher returns.

In spite of the laws that many states have enacted, there is still opportunity for the blue-sky swindler to clean up a community and beat the sheriff to the state line. Look out for these gentry. Remember that any investment which promises a very high return, along with absolute security, is quite sure to be a swindle. The shrewdest investors in the world cannot find investments that yield more than six per cent interest and are practically free from risk.

Never deal with strangers. If any investment that looks tempting is presented to you, go to the bank and inquire about it. We hope millions of these new investors will keep their Liberty bonds indefinitely. They are convenient things to have. But if you do think of converting your Liberty bond, beware of the wildcat. Do not keep a bond round the house, where accident or theft may put you to a loss. Take it to the bank for safekeeping.

ALL HAVE PET SUPERSTITION

Soldiers Hold Firmly to Beliefs Which Have to Do With Good and Bad Luck.

Among soldiers' superstitions, of which the British soldier has his full share, one of the most characteristic is connected with the number three.

"The third time is never the same," is a proverb among the Irish troops. "The third of anything is fatal," is a common expression among the English country battalions. Soldiers have been known to refuse to take their third leave, feeling certain that it would be their last. A soldier's third wound is said to be the one which must be most carefully attended to. A development of this same superstition prohibits the lighting of three cigarettes with one match.

Odd numbers, according to the British Tommy, are more likely to be unlucky than even ones, and thirteen is no worse than nine. Friday as an unlucky day has been dethroned, and there is no particular bad luck connected with any day of the week. In Tommy's estimation, Sunday, however, is preeminently a lucky day for battles.

The lucky flower, by common consent, is white heather, and a piece properly tucked away inside the hatband is supposed to save the wearer from a fatal wound. Some regiments regard certain decorations and medals as unlucky, not to the wearer, but to the regiment in general. One very well known battalion of Scots strongly every time one of its number receives the military cross.

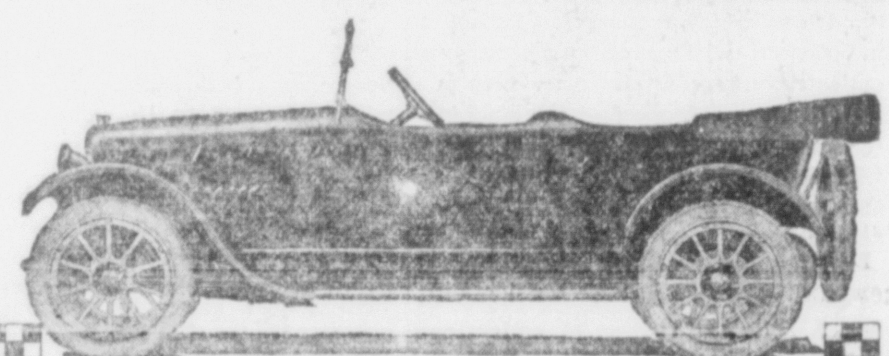
Would Have Pleased "Old Put"
The spirit of "Old Put" goes marching on! The doughty New England general of the Revolution, unable to be present in this war, sends David E. Putnam, a direct descendant of Israel Putnam, who has just brought down his third German airplane within a month on the French battle front. He is the nineteen-year-old son of Frederick H. Putnam of Boston and Newton. In a letter received by his mother, he says:

"We had been flying about ten minutes when I looked back and saw two machines heading out of Germany. Down on the nearer one I came, my gun throwing out a spray of lead. But when I had fired about 50 shots he got under me, and I shot by toward plane No. 2, leaving No. 1 for my men behind me. No. 2 dived, but I followed, always shooting. We had come down from 12,000 feet to 2,000 in less than it takes to tell it, when suddenly the machine in front wavered and then plunged straight down. It was a 'rumpler' biplane. Oh, I am proud."

BIG EATERS GET KIDNEY TROUBLE

Take a glass of Salta before breakfast if your Back hurts or Bladder bothers you.

The American men and women must guard constantly against kidney trouble, because we eat too much and all our food is rich. Our blood is filled with uric acid which the kidneys strive to filter out. When the kidneys become sluggish, the eliminative tissues clog and the result is kidney trouble, bladder weakness and a general decline in health. When your kidneys feel like lumps of lead, your back hurts or the urine is cloudy, full of sediment or you are obliged to seek relief two or three times during the night; if you suffer with sick headache or dizzy, nervous spells, acid stomach, or you have rheumatism when the weather is bad, get from your pharmacist about four ounces of Jad Salta; take a tablespoonful in a glass of water before breakfast for a few days and your kidneys will then act fine. This famous Salta is made from the acid of grapes and lemon juice, combined with lithia, and has been used for generations to flush and stimulate clogged kidneys; to neutralize the acids in the urine so it no longer is a source of irritation, thus ending bladder disorders. Jad Salta is inexpensive; cannot injure, makes a delightful effervescent lithia-water beverage, and belongs in every home because nobody can make a mistake by having a good kidney flushing any time.



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Oil up the machinery of your business, imbue your organization with the spirit of true service, make your business worthy of the good will, the confidence, the patronage of the people.

In this fertile field then sow the seed of advertising and it will bring forth abundant crops in increased business and augmented prestige.

Your store news in the Dispatch will be read in practically every home in Brainerd and vicinity every evening.

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Your debt to your future, too, should have attention as you go along.

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WOMAN'S REALM

"THE MAN ON THE BOX" SHOW

Senior Class Play at Brainerd Opera House Friday Night, Specialties Between Acts

CAST GIVEN OF THE COMEDY

The Girls in the Specialties—Synopsis of "The Man on the Box" Given

The Seniors of the high school will present "The Man on the Box" at the Park opera house on Friday evening. This play, more than any other that has been given by high school classes in recent years, is decidedly humorous. In the first place, the hero, instead of being a dashing society man, is a soldier lately resigned, who takes the part of a butler as the result of a practical joke. As he is a "good scout" he carries out the joke for a whole month, although it is pretty hard going most of the time, especially as the heroine takes advantage of every opportunity to make his life miserable. Imagine waiting on table when your former colonel is there to make you uncomfortable, or helping a French chef to fix a stove-pipe when you are accustomed to give orders instead of taking them.

When the situation is almost unbearable, Worburton stumbles upon a serious case of treachery against the U. S. government and resolves to "stick it out" until the affair is cleared up, despite the very evident enmity of the heroine at this stage of the game. No one can help but admire the endless patience of the hero, played by Walter Cleary.

The young and charming heroine is a practical joker who delights in seeing Warburton suffer, and invents one fiendish scheme after the other to test his patience and penetrate his disguise. His manner of evading her schemes furnishes much of the humor of the play. The part of Betty is taken by Clover Sabin.

Probably the funniest scene is the flirtation between the judge and Mrs. Conway, as played by Alice Smith and Clifford Larson, for the judge is so very flattered by the lady's attentions. Between the acts there will be some new and original specialties by the Senior girls.

The class has been working hard for several months on the play and hope to please the public. Whatever they realize from the play they will put into their memorial to be presented to the school for the benefit of future classes and the general public whenever they attend any affairs at the school.

The prices are 50 and 35 cents for reserved seats and the usual "two bits" for seats in the gallery.

Following are the people in the specialties:

Indian maidens:—Violet Creger, Stella Erickson, Christine Huseby, Goldie Holmstrom, Frances Linn, Anna Linnemann, Mildred Lund, Nora Greer, Martha Peabody, Hope Thabes, Ruth Thayer, Ruth White, Sophia Witte.

Spanish girls:—Esther Ericsson, Lucille Darling, Hazel Keller, Genevieve McCabe, Lillian Nelson, Ruth Pentin, Hazel Van Sickle.

The cast:
Robert Worburton.....Walter Cleary
Henderson.....Dan Clark
Col. Annesley.....Albert Backen
Count Karlhoff.....Dagfred Olsen
Col. Raleigh.....Arden White
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Judge Watts.....Clifford Larson
Martin, court clerk.....Howard Houghton

O'Brien.....Robert Clarke
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Betty Annesley.....Clover Sabin
Nancy Warburton.....Georgia Frost
Mrs. Conway.....Alice Smith
Corra, the maid.....Esther Ericsson

Junior Musical Club

All members of the Junior Musical club are requested to be present at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. M. Johnston at 7 p. m. Saturday, April 13. Members come prepared to vote on how they wish to dispose of money in the treasury. After the business session a program will be given.

Swedish Baptist Church

At the mid-week services the pastor will speak on questions asked during the 40 days between the resurrection and ascension of Christ. This evening his text will be, "What Manner of Communications are These That Ye Have One to Another, as Ye Walk and are Sad?" These services begin at 8 o'clock. We are glad to have you come and worship with us.

No Surgical Dressing Class

There will be no surgical dressing ladies' class tonight on account of the patriotic meeting at the opera house.

FINNISH RED CROSS DANCE

Newly Organized Red Cross Chapter Gave Successful Affair, Rochon's Orchestra Played

LUTHER LEAGUE HAS PARTY

W. C. Deering Appointed Chairman of the Fifth District in Liberty Loan Drive

Crosby, Minn., April 4.—H. H. Garceau, assistant cashier of the First National bank and treasurer-elect, was operated on for appendicitis at a local hospital.

Mrs. Arthur Jewell, Mrs. A. H. Eltman and Mrs. Conrad Raps entertained the Presbyterian Ladies' Aid society at the Franklin lunch room.

The Luther League gave a birthday party on Thursday evening. A musical program was one of the features. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Haster have returned from Rochester where Mrs. Haster took medical treatment.

The new Finnish Red Cross chapter gave a dance to aid the fund. Rochon's orchestra played.

H. J. Breen has returned from a business trip to Duluth, Hibbing and St. Cloud.

W. C. Deering refereed the basketball game at St. Cloud between St. Cloud and Little Falls for the district championship. Little Falls won.

J. O. Dewar who was formerly with the Oliver Mining Co., is now in the office at the Pay mine.

W. C. Deering has been appointed chairman of the Liberty Loan campaign at Crosby in district No. 5. The county's apportionment is \$375,000.

Crosby and Ironton hope to get improved train service from the Northern Pacific railway.

The demonstration car of the Lake Superior district of the Mine Rescue Department of the United States will be at Crosby several weeks instructing miners in first aid, rescue work, the use of necessary apparatus, etc.

Willing Workers

The Willing Workers society of the Swedish Baptist church will have its meetings in the church Friday evening at 8 o'clock. This will be an interesting song service. The stories of ten of the greatest hymns will be told and the hymns sung. There will be duets, quartettes, string band, solo and singing by the assembly. The public is cordially invited to attend. Refreshments will be served.

Woman's Missionary Society

The Woman's Missionary Society of the Methodist Episcopal church will hold the regular monthly meeting with Mrs. E. M. Phelps, 213 North Ninth street on Friday at 2 P. M. A good program will be given. The ladies are invited.

Birthday Surprise

Mrs. Hannah Hagberg was pleasantly surprised Tuesday, April 2, the occasion being her birthday. She served a luncheon to thirty guests.

Bethlehem Lutheran Church

Confirmation class at 7 o'clock and prayer meeting at 8 o'clock in the school room of the Bethlehem Lutheran church tonight.

NOT CALCULATED TO CHEER

Invitation to Prospective Soldiers to Purchase Cemetery Lots Criticized as in Poor Taste.

Down in south Jersey they are wide awake. The hour of the Jersey clocks had not gone twice around the dial after 300 newly drafted men in a certain city had been called for physical examination when the postman brought to each of them an invitation to buy a cemetery lot. The invitation read as follows:

"Which is the better time to consider a matter of this character? Now, when there is ample time for calm, deliberate selection, or later, perhaps, when there is a necessity? Experience has proved the former the better course; there is a satisfaction in owning an unused plot, and in knowing you have relieved others of a responsibility."

There are possibilities for the humorist in this. If anyone feels like getting fun out of it. Probably it does not seem funny to the young men about to be taken from their work and their wonted ways of daily living to go into the trenches.

The clerk of the county is going to investigate the manner in which the names got out, and it may not be funny then for the people who sent out these cheerful invitations.

Somebody ought to investigate, while investigation is in order, the psychology of these Jersey geniuses.—New York Tribune.

LIVING HIGHEST IN NATIONAL CAPITAL

PROFITEERING IN RENTS HAS BEEN CHECKED, BUT OTHER RAPACIOUSNESS GOES ON.

TOO MANY CLERKS HIRED

Senate's New Rule on New Matter in Conference Reports Put Into Effect Quickly in Considering the Railroad Bill.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington.—The crowded condition of Washington has given rise to a great deal of discussion, and there is much concern as to whether the city will be able to house the continued influx of people if the government does not call a halt upon the employment of so many additional clerks. The overcrowded condition has caused a tremendous increase in the cost of living, and it has been shown by comparative statistics that it costs from 15 to 25 per cent more to live in Washington than in other cities.

A part of living cost is due to the increase in rents, which has grown to such an extent that the house of representatives has passed a bill to stop the profiteering in that line, and it has been suggested that other measures should be taken to save one part of the population of the capital city against the rapaciousness of another element.

In the discussions of the conditions in Washington it has been charged that at least one-third more clerks have been employed than are necessary and that thousands of them are sitting around the offices, the newly acquired buildings, and the various buildings which have been rented for the government, doing nothing a great deal of the time. While this is true to some extent, no one can tell just how far it goes. It is the inevitable consequence of the rush to organize an army and get the country ready for a big war.

The senate had an opportunity to put its new rule into effect sooner than it expected. This new rule was proposed by Senator Curtis of Kansas and provided for the defeat of a conference report if it contained legislation which had not been considered either in the senate or house. Heretofore it has been the practice of conferees, three men from the senate and three from the house, appointed to compose the differences between the two bodies on any bill that has been passed, to put in anything that they desired. The new rule had not been adopted many days before a conference report came back on the railroad bill and a point of order was made against a provision limiting the power of taxation of railroads by the states. Vice President Marshall, who does not judge questions, promptly sustained the point of order and on an appeal was upheld by the senate. It was rather interesting to observe that not a single Republican voted to overturn the vice president. Those who disagreed with Marshall were members of his own party to the number of 23.

Occasionally there is a mention of civil service in the congressional debates. Many years ago civil service reform was one of the principal subjects of debate and discussion, not only in congress but throughout the country and in the newspapers. In times like these no one pays very much attention to civil service, and in the great demand which the government has made for clerks civil service rules and regulations have not cut much figure. The discussions in congress generally emanate from Republicans who occasionally inquire if all the offices that have been created and filled are subject to civil service regulations. But no one seems to care much whether they are or not. In these times the greatest thing in sight is to win the war in the quickest time possible.

Senator Nelson of Minnesota, who a few years ago determined to leave public life, but has been "commandeered" by his constituents to stand again for re-election, may have rather easy sailing. It is understood that he will be opposed by the Nonpartisan league, but that the opposition of this league may induce the Democrats not to make a nomination against him on account of his loyal support of the government in carrying on the war. The veteran Minnesota senator says that he does not talk in the senate as he used to, mainly because he has no such desire to make speeches as he did in years gone by. He gives a great deal of attention to all matters pertaining to legislation, particularly the important measures coming before the judiciary and commerce committees.

The council of national defense is now reaching out and endeavoring to organize in every village and hamlet of the country a unit of its organization for the purpose of promoting war work. This is another effort in the direction of trying to arouse universal public interest in the war and to awaken the people in the most remote sections to the necessity of lending every energy to a successful prosecution of the war. One great difficulty from the time war was declared to the present is the lack of interest of a great many people of the United States, which was induced by the idea that perhaps after all we would not become greatly involved in the war.

DO WELL TO SPEND

Lecturer Upholds Extravagance of the Wealthy.

Lavish Expenditure for Luxuries Means That the Prosperity of the Country is Assured, Is Assertion He Makes.

"Because we are the most luxury-loving people on earth, we are also the richest; therefore we have been called upon to finance and to fight to a finish this most extravagant of all wars, and we are able to do it," said E. Leroy Pelletier, speaking on "Prosperity," at Detroit.

"We hear a lot nowadays to the effect that we Americans are a wasteful and extravagant people. And it is said by way of condemnation, or at least of reproach. Yet when the war had been precipitated by the most frugal people on earth—except the more primitive races of savages—the extravagant nation was asked to finance and to prosecute the war to a successful finish.

"We expect to do this from the surplus left from our extravagance. Yes! And it is because of our extravagance that we have the money to do it.

"China has great resources. Why are not the Chinese wealthy? Because they have worn the same style of clothes for a thousand years, and have subsisted on one diet—plain rice! The Japanese tried the same form of frugality for centuries and just managed to subsist. When they began to copy American 'extravagance' they became a world power.

"It doesn't matter that the \$5,000 roadster is a non-essential to the son of a rich man, or that the luxurious limousine could be dispensed with by the rich man himself—that doesn't matter.

"The point is, those luxuries, those extravagances, those non-essentials are virtually essential to the millions of men and the families of the men whose jobs depend on the making of our twentieth-century vehicle.

"The sewing machine, the phonograph, the electric light, the piano, the furniture; yes, the very schools where the workmen's children are educated, are the direct result of the craving on the part of the rich man for those luxuries.

"Here's to the wealthy man and to the rich woman who is extravagant—for these play the game. They pass the prosperity around. Rank sophistry those phrases, 'an old suit is a badge of honor,' and 'a dollar paid for a boy to play with is a traitor dollar.' If taken seriously they would result in terrible suffering in a short time.

"Food conservation, not by short rationing, but by changing our diet so as to use those meats and grains that cannot be shipped so as to supply our allies with those that contain the most nourishment in the most compact form—that is commendable. Every intelligent, patriotic American indorses it and will gladly do his part.

"The other is contrary to all laws of economics. And they are laws, not merely rules."

Music a War Horror.

A grim story is told of an air raid on Paris. If its truth were not vouched for by the most respectable authority one would say that it was an invention of De Maupassant in his most macabre vein. While the work of rescue was going on by candle light in one of the houses which had suffered most the crowd was suddenly horrified by the defiant notes of the "Rakoczy March," blared out apparently by a strong brass band. Every one was aghast at so brutal an insult till the tenant of a flat on an upper floor said that he had an orchestra which played that particular tune. The explosion must have set it in motion. At the risk of their lives some firemen managed to reach the machine, but in the dark, and not knowing about its mechanism, they could not stop it. It went on till the floor on which it stood collapsed.

Women to Prove Their Heroism.

What with keeping the wolf from her own door and helping France, her next door neighbor, keep from her premises the groundhogs who have overrun Europe, England has been having a tolerably busy time. But, undaunted, she is now engaged in a crusade to keep the rats from her food, according to an address on the war service being rendered by the women of England which was recently delivered before the women's department of the National Civic federation.

If in listing the residences of the rodent population of 40,000,000 upon whom war is being relentlessly waged the women served as census takers and went without chairs upon which to stand at the first sound of a mouse's squeak, it is evidence of the heights of heroism to which the necessities of battle have lifted them.

Gulls as Submarine Detectors.

Dr. A. D. Pentz, Jr., of New Brighton, L. I., has developed a plan for using gulls to disclose the presence of submarines. He suggests that hoppers 54 inches long be made of sheet steel and bolted to the tops of submarines, to be filled with chopped fish, which may be released from time to time by means of a crank apparatus inside the vessel. In this way gulls will be taught to associate submarines with food and will gather clamorously over any submarine that may appear in the waters. The scheme has the endorsement of the National Association of Audubon Societies and is receiving serious attention from the United States naval authorities.

PEACE TALK IS LITTLE PREVIOUS

CHARACTERISTIC OF AMERICAN PEOPLE TO DISCUSS THINGS BEFORE NEED ARISES.

SMITH TO QUIT THE SENATE

Michigan Senator Announces His Intention Voluntarily to Retire to Private Life—Indians Take Large Part in Various War Activities.

By ARTHUR W. DUNN.

Washington.—When war was about to be declared against Germany nearly a year ago there were many expressions to this effect: "I hope it will not be necessary to send a single American soldier abroad," or, "It will probably be unnecessary to sacrifice American troops in this war," or, "It is to be hoped that the war will be ended before we become actively engaged in it."

The Congressional Record contains many such utterances made by members of both houses before and after war was declared. On nearly every war measure during the last session some pre-peace men would give utterance to an expression similar to those quoted.

Beyond question there has been a lingering hope in the minds of many Americans that the war might be ended before the United States became actively engaged in it. That hope is now dissipated.

It has been said of the American people that they are often "too previous;" that is, they are too anxious to do things, too apt to anticipate, and with the desire that generally possesses mankind to be prophets they are apt to discuss things long before there is any necessity for considering them. Probably that accounts for the amount of peace talk that was heard just about the time when the Americans began fighting the Germans.

"The mistake which our people are making now," said one of the shrewd men who could be called a military expert, "is that we begin to talk peace before we really begin fighting. We not only talk of peace, but we begin to discuss what we are going to do after the war. It is too early to talk peace and it is too early to talk about conditions or what we will do when the war closes."

Senator Townsend of Michigan and Congressman Eech of Wisconsin were both conferees on the important railroad bill. Ten or twelve years ago these two names were coupled together because they jointly prepared what was known as the Eech-Townsend interstate commerce law. That bill was pending in congress for some time and finally it was remodeled somewhat and re-introduced by Congressman Hepburn of Iowa, then chairman of the interstate and foreign commerce committee of the house. And when it was enacted into law it was known for some time as the Hepburn bill, although in reality it was the original Eech-Townsend bill. Neither Senator Townsend nor Congressman Eech believes in the new railroad bill, and did everything in their power to have it amended. Both of them think that the interstate commerce commission should be given more power instead of shorn of power.

It is not often that a man voluntarily retires from the senate. It often happens that a man will continue to be a candidate, and say that he is forced to because some one, forsooth, has said that he would be beaten anyhow. Many a senator has gone into a fight after saying that he would like to be relieved of the duty, and given that is a reason for his so doing. At the same time it is not often that a man retires when he has got rather easy sailing ahead, therefore, it is rather surprising that William Alden Smith of Michigan should decide to get out at the senate at this time. William Alden had had a long career of public service and he is mighty well placed on committees, but he has decided to retire even though his friends say that he could easily be re-elected.

"Gee, I should think they'd have a railway line here!" is an expression that has frequently been heard by visitors in the Yellowstone, Yosemite and other national parks. So far no permits have been given for the construction of trolley lines, because it was feared that it would disfigure these great natural wonder-spots. But Secretary Lane has gone to the extent of allowing automobiles to be used in the parks, although that caused a protest on the ground that it would scare the wild animals and birds. Now Secretary Lane has gone a step farther and allowed motorcycles to go into these various parks.

Cato Sells, commissioner of Indian affairs, is very proud of the part which the Indians have taken in war activities. In a recent letter he points out that their subscription to the first Liberty loan amounted to \$4,977,850, and to the second, \$4,222,750. The Indians have also participated in Red Cross work and the schools have done a lot to help furnish supplies for the war. More than that, the Indians have gone into the service as volunteers, and are likely to be found on the fighting line in due time.

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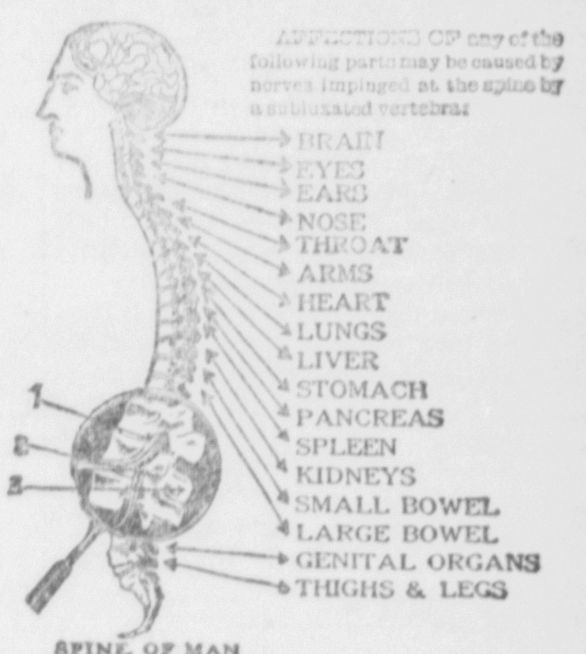
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DEFENDS LOWER BIRTH-RATE

Writer in Leading Scottish Publication Sees No Cause for Alarm in Its Continuance.

This is the rule of evolution—fewer offspring, a longer period of infancy, and more careful parental care. Wherever one looks in the animal kingdom he finds that rule working, a writer in the Edinburgh Review points out.

Among fishes, species that exhibit no sort of parental care, the average of 49 gives 1,040,000 eggs to a female each year; while among those which make nests or any apology for nests the number is only about 10,000.

Coming down through human history one finds the same law working. Among savage or semicivilized peoples the birthrate is very high, as is also the deathrate through enemies and disease. But, as fast as civilization makes its influence felt, the result is seen in a lowered birthrate, accompanied by better care of the fewer children who are born.

Havelock Ellis recently pointed out that the nations in Europe which were most ready and eager for war—Germany, Russia, Serbia, Austria—are the countries of highest birthrates, and hence of greatest economic pressure. And he adds: "Those who would seek to restore the birthrate of a half a century ago are engaged in a task which would be criminal if it were not based on ignorance and which is in any case fatuous."

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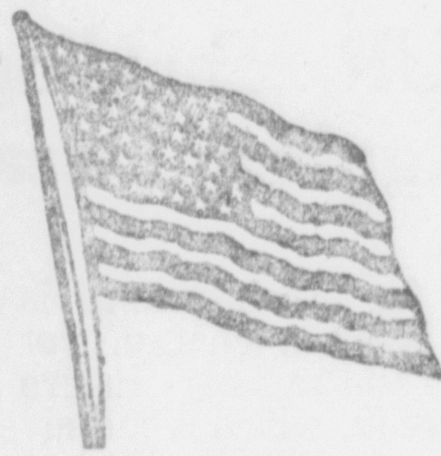
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Although awarded by the Treasury Department, they will be distributed to towns of the Ninth District from the office of the general executive committee in Minneapolis.

There will also be a National Honor Flag for each state, to be flown at the state capitol, with the name of each town winning a flag inscribed upon it. There will be also preserved in the United States treasury a National Honor Flag, with the record of each state recorded on it.

See that your city wins an honor flag.

INDIANS NO LONGER OUTCASTS

Red Man Has Taken His Place With Other Respected Members of American Social Life.

In the annual report of Cato Selts, commissioner of Indian affairs, this is said:

"Evidences of material and humanitarian advancement are everywhere apparent. Industrially and socially, the Indians are making unparalleled strides toward self-support and civilization. I have discovered that with sympathetic co-operation and intelligent encouragement their response is almost universal."

Within the last few years 42,110 Indian families have forsaken the tepees to live in houses. The tribal Indian rapidly is becoming "individualized." His red past is only a few years behind him, but it is in the past. The government no longer believes that wars with the Indians are possible. The question of peace with them is an answered one, and all that remains is to make of the Indian a self-supporting, self-respecting member of American society.

It has been said that the red past of the Indian is only a few years behind him. How strikingly this is shown by the fact that today many officers of the United States army below the rank of brigadier general wear the ribbon which shows that they have seen active service in warfare against the Apache, the Sioux, the Cheyenne, or other tribes of mountain and plain. It probably will be hard today to find any irreconcilables among the Indians of the West, unless the search be extended into the tepees of the ancients who grow to old age in a condition of roamers and warriors, and in whom nature forbids a change to take place. —Chicago Evening Post.

YANKEES DRIVE ON DESPITE MUD

Spattered American Columns Make No Complaint—Eager to Face Enemy.

U. S. TO SPEED DRAFT

To Summon Men in Second Call More Rapidly Than Previously Planned, Due to Brigading With Allies —French Re-inforced.

With the American Army in France, April 4.—An extraordinary heavy gas attack has been made on American troops on a certain sector other than that in the region of Toul.

With American Army in France, April 4.—As their movement toward the big battle front is speeded up, mud-spattered American columns after three days of rain have flooded this region, make no complaints.

The trenches which the Americans are holding in this sector are miniature rivers. The dugouts are half full of water, but their occupants, knowing their comrades are bound for the great fight, endure it with smiles.

Foch's Appointment Pleases. Throughout this zone there is the greatest satisfaction of General Foch's appointment as generalissimo and the fact American troops will be brigaded with the Allies. The big idea is to get into the fight—quick.

The enemy again bombarded the Toul front last night. Rain blocked other activities.

American patrols now are equipped with rubber crawling suits, permitting them to keep dry as they "snake" their way through the mud.

Reinforcements for French.

Washington, April 4.—An indication that heavy French reinforcements are being brought up rapidly to the point on the Western front where the Germans appear to have concentrated their strongest efforts to break thru is carried in information received at the British war mission from British headquarters in France.

The French forces. It was said, have extended their line to Thennes, near the Luce river. This enables the British to shorten their own line and to concentrate their forces.

U. S. to Speed Draft.

Measures to speed up the draft program are in contemplation and an official announcement is expected soon. The intention is to meet the emergency in France. For that reason the \$80,000 to be called this year will be called more rapidly than was previously planned.

War department officials said no arrangements were in sight to call out more than the \$80,000 men it was planned to take into the service.

Reports that the draft would be raised from \$80,000 men to 1,500,000 were denied.

2,500,000 by End of Year.

Officials do not regard it as possible that more men will be sent abroad this year than the department already has arranged to summon, even with additional British shipping made available as troop transports. There are now under arms here and in Europe more than 1,500,000 American soldiers. The number will have been raised to about 2,500,000 by the end of the year, counting drafted men, volunteers and special technical forces to be enlisted.

To Get Men Across Early.

If it is possible to get a total of 1,500,000 men to France by January 1 next, the best previous hopes of the War department will have been realized and there still will be a force of almost equal size in training here. The present effort is directed more towards getting men to France early in the year to meet emergencies there than toward increasing the number to be sent during the year.

NOTED BRITISH FIGHTER DIES

Charlie Mitchell Fought Sullivan 39 Rounds to Draw in 1888.

London, April 4.—Charles Mitchell, famous English middleweight champion, is dead at Brighton.

Mitchell's most famous fight was with John L. Sullivan at Chamilly, France, March 10, 1888. He held the famous American heavyweight to a draw in 39 rounds. Five years later Mitchell was knocked out by James J. Corbett in three rounds.

Crime to Speak German.

Belleville, Ill., April 4.—Speaking the German language in Steeleville, Ill., is a misdemeanor. The city council of Steeleville has passed a city ordinance forbidding the speaking of German. Offenders are liable to fine and imprisonment.

Wilson Thanks Labor.

Washington, April 4.—In a letter to the war labor conference board thanking its members for their work in bringing about the present agreement between capital and labor looking to a prevention of strikes during the war, President Wilson declared the results attained would be highly serviceable to the country. He characterized the agreement as a fine example "of spirit of co-operation and concession which is drawing our people together in this time of supreme crisis."

FOE U-BOAT TOLL SHOWS BIG SLUMP

But Thirteen British Merchantmen Lost in Past Week From Mine and Submarine.

FIVE WAR CRAFT SUNK

Of Merchant Ships Lost Only Six Were Over 1,500 Tons—Italians Lose Three Large Merchant Vessels.

London, April 4.—The admiralty reports a sudden and marked decrease in the losses to British shipping through mine or submarine in the last week. Only six merchantmen of 1,500 tons or over and seven under that tonnage were sunk in the week ending March 30. Five fighting vessels were sent to the bottom.

The admiralty statement says: "Fifteen British merchant vessels were unsuccessfully attacked by submarines."

Two More Sunk Previously.

"The large vessels reported sunk include one sunk during the week ending March 16, and the smaller vessels reported sunk include one during the week ending March 23."

"The arrivals during the week ending March 26 were 2,416 and the sailings 2,379."

The losses to British merchantmen through submarines and mines in the past week are less than one-half the losses in the previous week, when 23 merchantmen were sunk, 15 of the vessels over 1,500 tons.

A British torpedo boat destroyer was sunk April 1, as a result of a collision, according to an official statement issued by the admiralty tonight. All on board were saved.

U-Boat Sinks Ship's Boats.

Two steamers were destroyed by submarines off the coast of Ireland early Sunday morning. It is officially announced. They were the Australian steamer Camargo and the Greek steamer Salamina.

The Camargo's crew of 59 men got away in the boats, the account states, but two of the boats were sunk by gun fire. The third boat containing 15 men was picked up. It is feared the others are lost.

At about the same time and place the Salamina was sunk by gunfire. Fifteen of its crew are missing.

Thr. Big Italian Ships Lost.

Rome, April 4.—In the week ending March 30, Italian submarines sank three Italian steamships of more than 1,500 tons, and destroyed one sailing vessel of more than 100 tons, and nine sailing vessels of a tonnage under that figure.

Two of Convoy Are Sent Down.

An Atlantic Port, April 4.—Officers of a British freight steamship which arrived here said that two steamships, part of a convoy to which their ship was attached, were sunk by German submarine shortly after leaving a British port.

TO BUILD LARGER VESSELS

Shipping Board Increases Size of Craft Projected.

Washington, April 4.—A general increase in the size of all ships built hereafter has been ordered by the shipping board. The tonnage of experimental concrete ships was increased to 7,500 tons and construction of three more at San Francisco was authorized.

Wooden ships hereafter will be 5,000 tons instead of 3,500 tons. Steel ships built on the Great Lakes will be 5,500 tons and construction of a 10,000-ton steel vessel on the lakes which would be brought through the Welland canal to the sea by cutting her in two and turning her over on her side is under construction.

The more economical operation of large ships was the deciding factor in making the change.

Vast extension of federal powers over shipbuilding, ships, shippings rates, docks and terminals, has been asked of Congress.

AGREEMENT NOT EXPECTED

Conferences on Wheat Price Advance Not Likely to Get Together.

Washington, April 4.—Senate and House conferees have begun work on the agricultural appropriation bill, with little prospect of an amendment to the Senate amendment increasing the government guarantee on wheat from \$2 to \$2.50 a bushel. It was tentatively agreed to have the House managers report a disagreement on the amendment, and if the House again rejects it, Senate leaders thought the Senate would recede, avoiding a deadlock on the measure.

Kansas City Strike Settled.

Kansas City, Mo., April 4.—The general strike here growing out of the demands of laundry workers, ended when laundries took back their striking employees with an increased minimum wage, but without union recognition. The general walkout involved 20,000 workers and tied up industry for seven days. A minimum wage of \$9 a week was granted inside laundry workers, but no increase was given drivers. Mayor Edwards and Federal Mediator Patrick Gill effected the settlement.

WHY WASTE ONE'S LIFETIME?

After All, as Lincoln Said, the World Will Little Know Nor Long Remember.

In an article in the American Magazine one man says to another who was very sensitive and worried a great deal:

"Exactly," he grunted. "A few years ago they were live men like you and me. They grew up and did their business and loved and married and died. Some of them passed happily along their way, believing the best of their fellows, doing their jobs wholeheartedly and well, spreading a bit of sunshine among the folks they came in contact with, extracting every drop of sweetness from every single day. And others went through, wrapped up inside their own little selves, envying their neighbors, fancying themselves abused, worrying over trifles, always on the lookout for slights, spoiling a full 50 per cent of their days through their own pettiness. And a few days pass, and they all are laid out here together, the men who laughed their way through life and made others laugh a little more, and the men who gnawed their hearts out. All lying side by side, never to live again."

"Think of the things that those dead men worried about. What do they amount to now? Think of the good luck that they envied in other fellows. Who in the world remembers it? They had one little lifetime to live, and they spoiled it by over-sensitiveness and jealousy. Doesn't it strike you as an awfully foolish way to waste a lifetime, when it's the only lifetime that you will ever have?"

LEANED TO NEWSPAPER WORK

Andrew Carnegie's Early Ambition Was to Be Great Editor—Burns Resisted Lure of Journalism.

Andrew Carnegie in his early days had an ambition to enter the newspaper business, but when he failed to obtain a position on the Pittsburgh Dispatch, he turned his talents in other directions and finally became America's leading iron and steel manufacturer.

Robert Burns, on the other hand, spurned efforts to induce him to go into journalism and thus made the way clear for his becoming the most beloved of Scottish bards. These points were brought out in an address given by William Wills, president of the London Burns club.

The first attempt to get Burns in the newspaper line was when Peter Stuart of the London Morning Post started the Star. Burns declined to give advice.

BEST THEATRE

Today

Today

"The Kaiser, the Beast of Berlin"

Tomorrow—ETHEL BARRYMORE IN "THE ETERNAL MOTHER"

assistance in turning out the paper, although he occasionally contributed articles. Later James Perry, proprietor of the London Morning Chronicle, offered Burns £5 a week to join the staff. Burns refused the offer on the plea that his duties as an excise officer would prevent him from attending to the work. Nothing ever resulted, either, from the suggestions that Burns write a three-act comic opera.

Proper Care of Pet Fish.

Fish are not hard to raise. The greatest danger to which they are subjected in disease is the fungous growth that attacks the fins and tail. This can be detected by the dropping off of bits of the fins and tail, and by the tiny red streaks that mark the part that remains. To treat, give the fish a bath in a strong solution of salt water, letting him remain in this until he flops over on his side. Repeat in the course of a day or two until the growth is checked. For more severe cases, a weak solution of permanganate of potassium is used. Allow the fish to lie in this a minute or two, then replace in fresh water.—Kansas City Star.

Cracking Palm Nuts.

In Central America ten tons of palm nuts an hour are cracked by a machine including a fast revolving drum-wheel into which the nuts are fed from a ho-

per. A force of 1,500 pounds is required to crack the half-inch shells, but the drum-wheel, making 800 revolutions per minute, shatters each one into several pieces by hurling it two feet on a tangent against the breaker blocks continuously lining the inner surface of the main drum shaped casting. The wheel rotates on a vertical spindle. The blocks deflect the fragments downward into a discharge pipe, and air from blowers separates the shells from the useful portion of the nuts.

Biggest Block of Jade Ever Found.

A boulder of jade, or nephrite, is on exhibition in the foyer of the New York Museum of Natural History. This is the largest block of jade ever found; it weighs 4,710 pounds, is seven feet long, two feet wide and one foot thick.

The Scientific American says it is large enough to have furnished material for all the prehistoric objects of nephrite that have been found in Europe.

As this huge block was dug from a quarry in Germany, there is no need to suppose, as has been done, that prehistoric man got his jade from China or Burma.

Aggravating.

Nothing makes a woman so mad as to have something to say and no one to listen.—Boston Transcript.

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DR. J. E. FREEMAN IN LIBERTY PLEA

Speaks at Brainerd Opera House Tonight, Rousing Patriotic Program Prepared

WHY LIBERTY BONDS BOUGHT

Large Attendance Expected From Range and Countryside, Program Given in Detail

France will make her plea tonight at the patriotic meeting in the opera house. We are fighting on French soil and Edwin Harris Bergh who will give a violin solo, has selected for his number "Balade et Polonaise," by Viextemps, the greatest French violinist and composer that ever lived.

The official program will be as follows:

High school orchestra 8-8:30
"Star Spangled Banner"
Invocation.....Rev. G. P. Sheridan
Violin solo.....Edwin Harris Bergh
Song.....Pine River Quartet
Address.....Dr. James E. Freeman
Song.....Pine River Quartet
"My Country, 'Tis of Thee"

Direction of E. E. Long
People are asked to come early as the program will start on time. Dr. Freeman is recognized as one of the ablest speakers on the subject of the war and the various subjects that are called forth by it. To hear him is to receive a fair minded, reasonable and truly patriotic presentation of the issues that face us in pushing to the goal the Third Liberty Loan.

In the next few days our government will call on every citizen for financial assistance. Be at the opera house tonight and learn WHY.

Dr. Freeman arrived on the afternoon train and was entertained by a committee of citizens.

BARROWS ITEMS

Prospects for Cucumber Acreage at Barrows and Vicinity Examined by J. E. Barr

Barrows, Minn., April 4.—J. E. Barr, the pickle man of St. Cloud and family, were in town Monday. Mr. Barr is looking up prospects for cucumber acreage this year and said he expects to operate the salting station here this year in spite of the fact that last year was a crop failure.

T. E. Dahljelm of Manganese spent Friday with his family here.

Fred Klasey and son Jesse left for North Dakota Monday where Mr. Klasey is doing some boiler work.

Mrs. Annie Landry of St. Paul and Mrs. Dave Phillips of Minot, N. D., left for their homes Wednesday after spending a week with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Donahue in town.

Mrs. E. Smock of Kintyre, N. D., is here looking after business matters and visiting friends in town and at Crow Wing.

B. Doucette and F. O. Young of Crow Wing were in town on business Monday.

H. A. Peterson and sons Kenneth and Elmer were in Brainerd on Saturday.

H. Donahue has been appointed mail messenger and assumed his duties Monday, Peter Anderson having resigned.

ANNUAL MEETING

Congregational Meeting of Presbyterian Church to be Held This Thursday Evening

The annual congregational meeting of the Presbyterian church will be held at the church at 7:45.

There will be important business to come before the congregation and a full attendance is desired.

Reports of the various departments of the church will be given by the different secretaries and treasurers and elders and trustees will be elected.

The Sunday school teachers and officers will meet at 7 o'clock this evening for the election of officers.

ADVERTISED LETTERS

Letters remaining unclaimed in the postoffice at Brainerd for the week ending April 5, 1918. When calling for these letters please say "advertised."

Larsen, Mr. Ole.
McGinley, Mr. John.
Manchester, Mr. Harold.
Payne, Miss Nellie.
Peterson, S.
Storom, Mrs. C. E.
Vaughan, Mr. Bert.
Waltman, Ed.

H. P. DUNN, P. M.

The Way of Investigations.

Very few investigations hold up in a way that makes them as interesting at the finish as they were at the start.

LOUIS A. BANKS AT METHODIST CHURCH

Boston Man to Discuss "Making Uncle Sam a Safe Leader For Democracy," Sunday April 7

ORATOR OF NATIONAL FAME

Has Served Remarkably Successful Pastorates in Leading Churches of Largest Cities

Sunday morning at 10:30 A. M., Dr. Louis Albert Banks of Boston, Mass., will preach at the Methodist church. The lecture platform contains no more able, popular and successful speaker. His is a big soul, a big brain, a big body, with a big faith in the ultimate success of a big crusade.



Dr. Louis Albert Banks

ade. He is a noted pastor, orator and humorist, and has the sunny face, the sparkling eye, the hearty laugh that puts his audience in the same happy humor.

He will speak to men at the Y. M. C. A. at 3 o'clock.

In the evening at 8 o'clock, he will address a union service at the Methodist church. Dr. Banks is here in the interests of the National Anti-Saloon League of America and will fire the initial gun that will assist in making Minnesota dry at the next election. His theme will be "Making Uncle Sam a Safe Leader for Democracy." The people of Brainerd will do well not to miss this splendid opportunity of hearing so talented a speaker.

PAUL M. HALE HEADS DISTRICT

Will Push Sale of Third Liberty Loan in Deerwood and Bay Lake Section of County

CIVIC LEAGUE GAVE DANCE

Norwegian Ladies' Aid to Give Birthday Party at Ladies' Aid Hall on Saturday Evening

Deerwood, Minn., April 4.—Paul M. Hale has been appointed chairman of Liberty Loan District No. 4, in the county. It comprises Deerwood and Bay Lake. Mrs. Martin Ness will be the chairman of the ladies' auxiliary in this district. April 6 has been set as the opening day of the national campaign.

The Civic League gained \$50 from its St. Patrick's day dance. Another dance will be given on Friday evening, April 12.

The school program drew crowded houses and enough was realized to pay for the school band and donate \$40 to the Junior Red Cross.

The Deerwood Choral club sang at the Easter services in the Methodist church.

A birthday party will be given under the auspices of the Norwegian Ladies' Aid society at the Ladies' Aid hall on Saturday, April 6. The proceeds are to be equally divided between the Red Cross and the Norwegian Aid.

Frank Cox is a new tenant on the Thompson farm.

Mrs. Ed Watts has returned from Wisconsin where she was called by the death of her father.

H. J. Ernster was taken sick while in California and a minor operation was performed.

Norval Olson was in Brainerd on business matters.

Olsen Skau attended to road matters while at the county seat.

John Enzman, Sr., was at St. Paul, first time in 49 years.

Miss Esther Swenson has gone to Duluth.

The board of education had its regular meeting on Thursday evening. Mr. and Mrs. O. C. Fort are visiting in Winona.

WARNING

My stepson, who goes by my name, Albert Dufresne, who I undertook to care for since his mother died, being very reckless I won't be responsible for any board bill or mischief or deal of any kind that he may make.

JOS. DUFRESNE.

822 6th Ave. N. E., Brainerd, Minn. 5413

22 MINES TO SHIP ON RANGE

Outlook Never Brighter for Mining Industry on Cuyuna Iron Range of Crow Wing County

DEVELOPMENT NEAR BRAINERD

Manganiferous Ores of Extreme Value—Cuyuna Range Tonnage Exceeded Vermillion

The Cuyuna iron range this season will boast of 22 shipping mines. The Cuyuna is coming into its own, in fact the tonnage last year exceeded that of the Vermillion range.

The manganiferous ores of the range have been tried out and have given satisfaction. The world war has forced American furnace men to turn their attention to home fields of manganiferous ores to meet their requirements instead of depending upon a slender source of shipments from Russia, India or Scandinavian countries. The Cuyuna-Mille Lacs mine of the American Manganese Co. is expected to produce heavily this year.

A promising field of iron ore has been mapped out at Brainerd and extending southward to Barrows and beyond. Within Brainerd city limits on lands owned by Henry Rosko, Sr., and others ore has been located. The Brainerd-Cuyuna Mining Co. found 60 per cent iron ore on its property a mile south of the Brainerd post-office. At Barrows the Barrows mine for some period was operated while under lease to the M. A. Hanna Co. The Rosley mine has had considerable cement shaft work under way. Drills have operated in the vicinity of Fort Ripley and south.

East of Brainerd some eight miles at Woodrow the Omaha Mining Co. has installed dryers which will tend to greatly reduce the moisture in the ore content and thus add to the value of the ore. The mine worked steadily all winter and a good output is expected this season.

Open pit mines are stirring. Striping has been commenced at the North Thompson pit by the Inland Steel Co. This is on state leased ground and shipments in 1917 amounted to about 70,000 tons.

The Rowe pit has a body of ore to be reached by shaft and the pumps for unwatering the drainage shaft have been received.

The Mahnomon pit has resumed stripping and expects to remove 250,000 tons of overburden. The Pennington pit is striping.

The Cuyuna range is remarkable insofar as it contains open pit and underground mines and lies in a fertile section of the state. The farming industry of the county is gradually extending and growing in importance.

With this is coupled the acquisition of tractors by farmers, the building of the new cooperative creamery in Brainerd, the fine record of the farmers livestock shipping association, talk of a cheese factory and other industries.

There has been considerable activity in the acquisition of Brainerd real estate the last week according to rumors, although the parties acquiring the same are apparently carefully concealing their operations. It was reported that Linus H. Long of New York city and St. Paul, representing eastern interests, had acquired a large block of the choicest platted property in the city adjoining the proven iron formation as it passes through the city limits. He is further familiarizing himself with the iron country about Brainerd.

P. B. Nettleton reports brisk sales of realty in the district about the Northwest Paper company paper and pulp mills. James R. Smith reports many inquiries for farm lands.

—BUY W. S. S.—

BRAINERD'S ODDEST STORIES OF TODAY

When the Hope Hose Co. No. 2 dance jazzed at the start. Si Hall braced up the program and sold 94 tickets in one week. Had Si continued a month there is no telling how many he would have sold and it would have been necessary to give two dances to hold the crowd.

Dr. C. N. Pace

Friday evening at 8 o'clock at the First Methodist church, Dr. C. N. Pace, one of the most able pulpit orators of the present day will deliver his noted patriotic address on the theme, "The Spirit of the Day."

This is the second number in the special series of addresses on "The Relation of Christianity and Patriotism to the Present World War."

There will be no admission charged but a silver offering is requested to help defray expenses. Everyone is cordially invited to attend.

BANNER DAYS IN RED CROSS

County Exhibit of Completed Articles at Koop Building Friday and Saturday, April 5-6

"HUMANITY'S APPEAL" AT BEST

Management of Best is Running the Picture, Brainerd Chapter Fortunate to Secure It

Friday and Saturday, April 5th and 6th, should be banner days in the history of the Red Cross of this county, for on these two days, two important events are scheduled, namely: The county exhibit of completed articles turned out by the Junior Red Cross and the Junior Red Cross is to be held in the Koop building on Laurel and 7th streets and the first showing of the Red Cross picture "Humanity's Appeal," is to be made at the Best theatre on the afternoon and evening of each day.

These are two features which should interest the general public, for the exhibit will go to show just what is being done by the many earnest workers for the Red Cross in the county and the first showing of completed articles turned out by the Junior Red Cross will be made at this time. The public generally, and especially the men who are contributing to the Red Cross fund, are urged to visit the Koop building either in the afternoon or evening of Friday or Saturday and see for themselves just what is being accomplished.

The ladies were busy today arranging the exhibits and completed articles are coming in from the different branches and auxiliaries which indicate that there will be a fine showing made.

A Great Picture.

The Red Cross picture, "Humanity's Appeal," has been widely advertised and this will be its first showing in this part of the state. It will be seen at the Best theatre both afternoon and evening of Friday and Saturday and is billed for the 8th at Crosby and on the 9th for Deerwood. The management of the Best theatre is running this picture at no expense to the Red Cross and it will be well worth while attending the presentation of this splendid patriotic appeal. The Brainerd Chapter was fortunate in securing the film and will be one of the first to show it in the state.

Brainerd people are urged, not only to inspect the exhibit at the Koop building, but to make it a point to see the Red Cross picture at the Best theatre and bring a friend, as both will be features well worth seeing.

The exhibit rooms will be open Friday from 1:30 to 6 P. M. and in the evening and all day Saturday and in the evening to accommodate country people.

ENTERED UNIVERSITY AT 67

Jacob Tabert Completes a Six Months' Course in English Language

Jacob Tabert, age 67, a well known farmer of Crow Wing county, has completed a six months' course in the English language at the University of Minnesota. Mr. Tabert found that a wider knowledge of English was of great assistance in his business.

At the Best Tomorrow

Ethel Barrymore, the celebrated Metro star, is most happily cast in the role of Maris in "The Eternal Mother," the Metro wonderplay, in which the famous star of stage and screen will be seen at the Best theatre tomorrow. In this adaptation of Sidney McCall's novel, "Red Horse Hill," Miss Barrymore plays the part of a young woman who has married against her father's wishes, a man who turns out to be a worthless drunkard. She finds comfort and happiness in their child Felice, and lavishes on the child a wealth of mother love and affection. The scenes with the child are particularly beautiful. Later she shows her love for other children by aid and benefactions.

Miss Barrymore, in private life Mrs. Russell Colt, is the mother of three beautiful children, and her love for them and her duties as a mother always come first. Her appearances with children in Metro wonderplays have been a revelation of her love for little ones and the selection of this star to depict the heroine in "The Eternal Mother" was a happy one. Miss Barrymore is ideal as Maris.

German Chancellor Hertling Very Ill

(By United Press)

Amsterdam, April 4.—German Chancellor Hertling is seriously ill.

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This is the season of house cleaning, changing window curtains and draperies to make the home look fresh and new. Your efforts in this will be greatly helped if you will use our no sag, no tarnish flat curtain rod.

This no-sag Kirsch window rod will fit any window and makes any kind of a drape—single, double or triple. Furnish your home with Kirsch Flat rods.

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IRONTON FIRE DEPT. DANCE

Easter Ball Was a Most Enjoyable Occasion, One of the Big Social Events of Season

MOOSE LODGE HAS ELECTION

J. O. Marcetich of Camp Dodge, Ia., is Home on a Fifteen Days' Furlough

Ironton, Minn., April 4.—The Ironton fire department gave a very successful Easter ball. There was good music and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Gatherers of tin foil may leave the same at O. E. Skalmans. It will aid a good cause.

The Moose held their annual election Tuesday and elected these officers: Dictator, J. P. Anderson; past dictator, C. Peterson; vice dictator, A. G. Geomet; prelate, Charles Fuller; treasurer, G. C. McCullough; sergeant at arms, Herman Hunter. The lodge expects to initiate 20 on April 9th.

Mrs. L. T. Gavin, wife of Lieutenant Gavin, stationed at Fort Lee, is visiting in Ironton.

Edward R. Syverson has returned from an extended trip through the east and middle west and anticipates a busy season in real estate.

J. O. Marcetich is home for 15 days furlough from Camp Dodge, Iowa. He looks well and believes the boys will soon be on the fighting line.

H. K. Dimmick, chairman of the Liberty Loan in this district, is busy planning for the big drive.

Mrs. George M. Fay of Duluth visited in Ironton.

The new Presbyterian church in Ironton will be dedicated March 31.

ROLL OF HONOR

Arthur A. Decker of Sherlock, Ia., joined the infantry today, his application having been received by Corporal Raymond Lowery.

Chester Ford, employed at the H. P. Dunn drug store, was inducted by the draft board of McLeod county to attend Carnegie School of Technology. He left this morning for school.

VALUE OF MUSICAL TRAINING

Sound Reasons Why Physicians Should Have Thorough Knowledge of Sound and of Rhythm.

The great value of musical training to the practicing physician is pointed out by Dr. Ernest Zueblin, associate professor of medicine in the University of Cincinnati, in an article contributed to American Medicine. Appreciation of the pitch, intensity and duration of sounds, and of rhythm, which must be acquired by the musician in the study of his art, are also necessary to the doctor, who is obliged to take note of these same sound qualities in making many of his diagnoses. The objective signs of disease, Dr. Zueblin points out, are closely related to acoustic phenomena, such as conductivity, quality, tonality, pitch, intensity, duration and rhythm. The conductivity of sound, for instance, is quite different in a normal lung from one where there is fluid between the lung and the chest wall. The quality and tonality of sounds produced within the lungs or heart or transmitted through the abdominal viscera, are essential for the diagnosis. The better the musical training, the sharper the personal perception of the student, the more he will excel his competitors.

Traits of Bird Lovers.

Ten years ago, during a winter's visit in London, I used to watch the persons who regularly fed the birds in

Hyde park. I noticed that most of them were people of apparently humble circumstances, a few pretty close to underfeeding themselves. It was delightful to see how much pleasure they all took in keeping these birds from hunger.

Two that I saw each day for a week or so, evidently husband and wife, I ventured to speak to. Eagerly they talked about the birds as they might have talked about children, noting and relishing individual characteristics.

"We have become so fond of them," said the wife. "They recognize us now, many of them, and a few come to us quite fearlessly. We would feel quite uncomfortable if we should miss a day. They are like members of the family that have to be cared for."—Exchange.

Preparing Largest Draft Call.

Washington, April 4.—One of the largest single draft mobilization calls for the war is being prepared at the provost marshal general's office. It is learned. This, following closely the one for 55,000 men now in progress, emphasizes that the movement of American troops from the training camps to France is showing a remarkable increase. Other calls are expected soon, for it was stated at the provost marshal general's office that all the camps in the country are now filled to capacity.

Announcement

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Cuyuna Transportation Co. offers quick service between Brainerd, Crosby, Ironton and Riverton, three round trips daily.

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GIRL WANTED—at Eggen's. 807 Front St. 2196-2551f

WANTED—Two kitchen girls at Garvey's restaurant. 2185-2531f

WANTED—Chamber maids at the Iron Exchange hotel. 2155-2481f

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Telephone 856-L. 2138-2451f

WANTED—A female cook for a family of seven at the Iron Ex. Hotel. 2213-2571f

WANTED—Two men for cement work. Good pay. Ernest Rittari. 2200-2551f

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Mrs. Harold E. Webb, 221 Kingwood. 2214-2571f

WANTED—Competent girl for housework. Two in family, no children. 605 South Sixth St. 2179-2521f

WOMAN OR GIRL WANTED—For laundry. Work done by machine and mangle. Ransford hotel. 2211-2571f

WANTED—Competent girl for general housework. Apply at address. Charlotte E. Vogan, Crosby, Minn. 2219-2571 (?)

WANTED—Girl for general housework. Small family, good wages. Must have references. Mrs. Wilson Bradley, Deerwood, Minn. 2219-2571f

WANTED—A bright boy, 16 to 18 years of age. Not less than three years in high school. Apply to Auditor's office, Minnesota & International Railway. 2197-2551f

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FOR RENT—Furnished room, 704 Norwood St. 2170-2501f

FOR RENT—Nice large front room at 215 4th St. N. 2201-2561f

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FOR SALE—One \$850 Kimball piano as good as new, with 46 player rolls, \$350.00. Folsom Music Co., 614 Laurel St. 2207-2561f

FOR SALE—Duo-fold davenport, buff., also some things suitable for laq. cottage, oil stove, commode, chairs, dishes, etc. 223 5th St. N. Phone 453. 2203-2561f

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FOR SALE or FOR RENT—Improved farm of 317 acres with 260 acres field, at Sylvan, Cass Co., Minn. J. B. Pehrson. 815 South 7th St., Brainerd, Minn. 2194-2546-11w

FOR SALE—Three year old registered Holstein bull. For particulars inquire of me and see papers at O'Brien's store. Geo. Rardin, Phone Rural 24-6. 2210-2574-1513w

MISCELLANEOUS

WANTED—Suite of rooms with board if possible. Address A. B. Dispatch. 2202-2561f

WANTED—A cook stove or a small range for laundry use. Address O. N. Dispatch office. 2205-2561f

WANTED—Position of housekeeper for some gentleman. Don't mind children. Apply 307 S. 7th St. 2170-2411f

WANTED to hear from owner of good farm for sale. State cash price, full description. D. F. Bush, Minneapolis, Minn. 2177-2531f

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CZERNIN SPEECH IS GERMAN MOVE

Opinion of U. S. and Allied Diplomats is Premier's Words Are New Peace Offensive.

NOT TO BE CONSIDERED

German Drive in West Having Failed. Object is to Bring Discontent Among People of Allied Countries.

Washington, April 4.—In the speech of Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister, American government officials and the Allied embassies see another Teutonic peace offering. Czernin declared that recently negotiations were near between the Austrian and Allied governments.

The move, evidently conceived in Germany, they said, was made just as it became certain that the German drive in the west had failed of its purpose, and was intended to bring discord among the Allied powers and to cause discontent among their populations.

Czernin Statements Unfounded. The foreign minister's statement that Premier Clemenceau of France had advanced a suggestion of peace discussions, and his reference to Alsace-Lorraine as a stumbling block, it was declared here, were designed to create the belief that the Allies' desire to recover Alsace-Lorraine for France is the only thing that stands in the way of peace.

Officials and members of the diplomatic corps were unanimous in their declarations that Czernin's statements had no basis of fact, and, further, that no peace suggestions coming from the Teutonic powers would be given consideration at this time. There was no disagreement in the conviction that Germany must be defeated by force of arms before the question of peace is taken up in any way.

Some believe that Czernin's speech is a forerunner of some declaration by the German government on the subject.

Czernin Answers Wilson's Speech. Count Czernin, the Austro-Hungarian foreign minister addressed a delegation from the Vienna city council, which waited on him in connection with what the burgomaster termed the "aggravated distress of the population," which is closely connected with the general political situation.

"With the conclusion of peace with Roumania the war in the east ended," he said. "Before, however, turning to individual peace treaties and discussing them in detail, I would like to revert to the declaration of the President of the United States, in which he replied to the speech delivered by me on January 24.

"In many parts of the world President Wilson's speech was interpreted as an attempt to drive a wedge between Vienna and Berlin. I do not believe that, because I have too high an opinion of the President of the United States and his outlook as a statesman, to believe him capable of such a way of thinking. President Wilson is no more able to ascribe dishonorable action to us than we to him.

Agrees With German Chancellor. "I can only say," he continued, "that I esteem it highly that the German chancellor, in his excellent speech of February 25, took the words out of my mouth declaring that the four principles in President Wilson's speech of February 11 formed the basis upon which a general peace could be discussed. I am in entire agreement with this.

"The four points laid down by the President are a suitable basis on which to begin the discussion for a general peace. Whether, however, the President will succeed in his endeavors to rally his Allies on this basis or not is a question.

"God is my witness that we have tried every thing possible to avoid a fresh offensive, but the Entente would not have it thus."

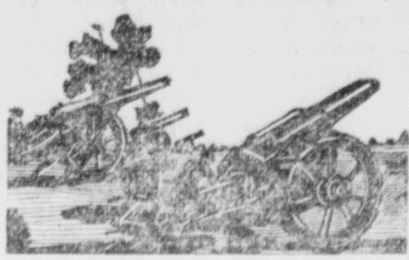
MAILING ORDER IS MODIFIED

Magazines to Go Only to Fighters Destined for Overseas.

Washington, April 4.—Owing to the increased needs for transportation of munitions and supplies for the American troops in Europe, the Postoffice department has modified its order permitting mailing of unwrapped and unaddressed magazines to soldiers and sailors at the front for one cent a copy. The modification calls for the delivery of the magazines only to soldiers and sailors "destined to proceed overseas."

More Marines Available.

Washington, April 4.—The War department has cabled General Pershing, at the suggestion of the marine corps, asking if he can absorb more American marines in his army. The marine corps has urged that several thousand trained marines at Paris (and South Carolina, Quantico, Va., and League Island, Philadelphia, be included in the Pershing expeditionary force. Thus far there has been no disposition to take in other than the small marine increment sent across with the original expedition.



Red-blooded men of courage are on the firing line—and there are many anemic, weak, discouraged men and women left at home.

At this time of the year most people suffer from a condition often called Spring Fever. They feel tired, worn out, before the day is half thru. They may have frequent headaches and sometimes "pimply" or pale skin.

Bloodless people, thin, anemic people, those with pale cheeks and lips, who have a poor appetite and feel that tired, worn or feverish condition in the springtime of the year, should try the refreshing tonic powers of a good alterative and blood purifier. Such a one is extracted from Blood root, Golden Seal and Stone root, Queen's root and Oregon Grape root, made up with chemically pure glycerine and without the use of alcohol. This can be obtained in ready-to-use tablet form in sixty cent vials, as druggists have sold it for fifty years as Doctor Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. It is a standard remedy that can be obtained in tablet or liquid form.

A good purge should be taken once a week even by persons who have a movement daily, in order to eliminate matter which may remain and cause a condition of auto-intoxication, poisoning the whole system. To clean the system at least once a week is to practice health measures. There is nothing so good for this purpose as tiny pills made up of the May-apple, leaves of aloe and jalap, and sold by almost all druggists in this country as Doctor Pierce's Pleasant Pellets, sugar-coated, easy to take.

OREGO PROMOTIONS

Americans Added to British Divisions Make Sacrifices.

High Praise For U. S. Fighters For Attitude in Placing Selves Under Foreign Command.

With the British Army in France, April 4.—The greatest enthusiasm has been created by the announcement that American battalions are to be added to British Divisions. The fact such a move was to be made had been known for some time by the commanding officers, who anticipate most important results from it and accord the highest praise to the Americans for the attitude of self-sacrifice they have adopted in thus placing themselves under a foreign divisional command.

This action means that, for the time being, the American officers and men may give up much in the way of possible promotion which they might secure were they fighting under their own command. The American troops are looked upon as being among the best men in the field, and it is believed that they will fall immediately into their niches, thereby swelling each British division affected.

ALLEGED CROOK IS KILLED

Was Trying to Make Escape From Minneapolis Officer.

Minneapolis, Minn., April 4.—Martin T. Walsh, said to be the fourth member of a hold-up gang which has been operating in Minneapolis, was shot and instantly killed by Patrolman Adolph Hanson of the North Side station when he attempted to escape from the policeman after being arrested in Engine House No. 14, Twenty-first avenue and Fourth street north.

Walsh's death formed a climax for recent police activities in rounding up the bandits who invaded a gambling house on the third floor of 324 Marquette avenue several weeks ago and held up a dozen men.

SENATE PASSES LOAN BILL

Provides For New Liberty Loan in Record Time.

Washington, April 4.—In record breaking time the Senate passed the new Liberty Loan bill authorizing \$4,500,000,000 more war bonds, additional loans of \$1,500,000,000 to the Allies and increases of treasury indebtedness certificates from \$4,000,000,000 to \$8,000,000,000. The measure already has been passed by the House, and slight differences now will be adjusted in conference.

It is possible even that the House will accept minor amendments and make a conference unnecessary.

DAILY MARKET REPORT.

Minneapolis Grain.

Minneapolis, April 4.—Oats, May, \$5.

Duluth Flax.

Duluth, April 4.—Flaxseed, May, \$4.15½; July, \$4.12; Oct., \$3.58.

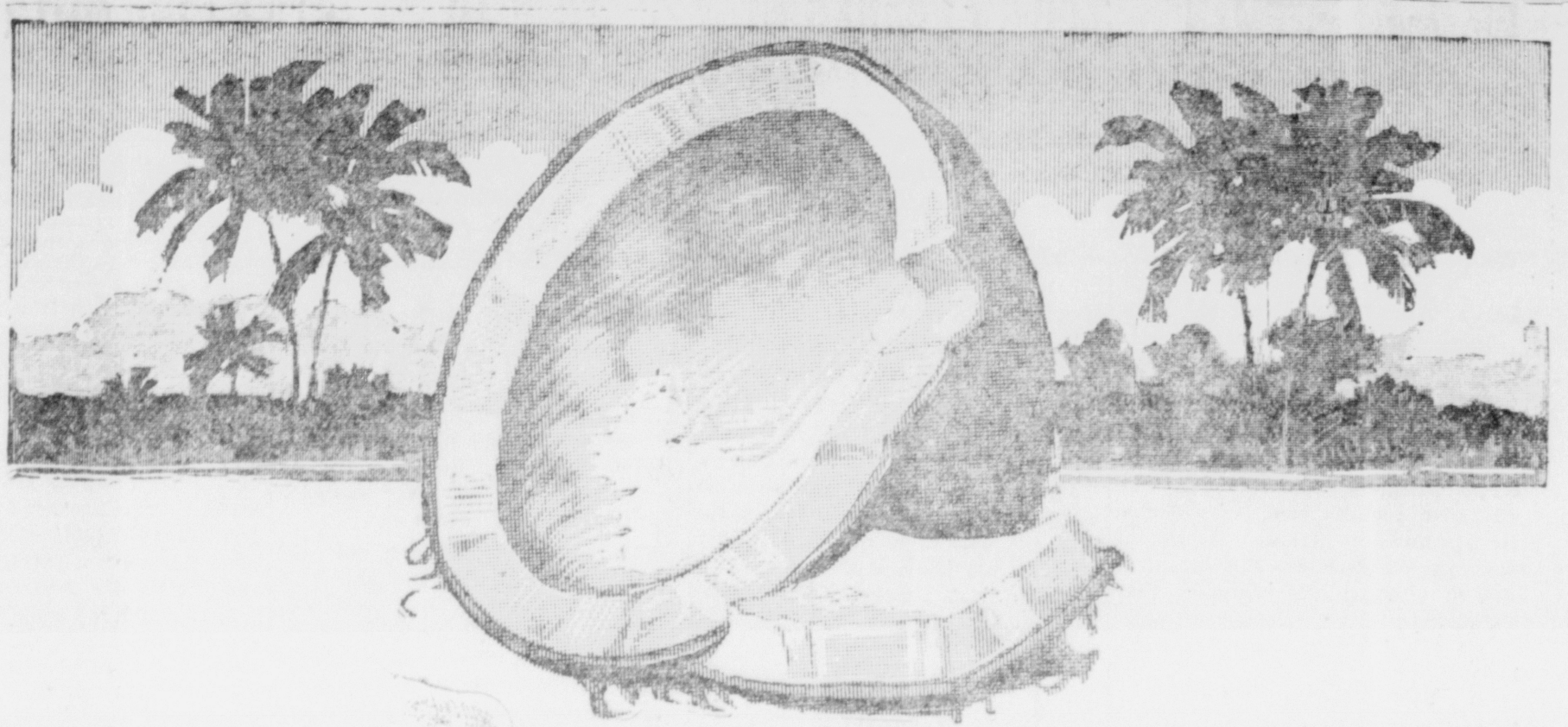
Chicago Grain.

Chicago, April 4.—Corn, May, \$1.25¾; oats, May, 85¼.

South St. Paul Live Stock.

South St. Paul, April 4.—Estimated receipts at the Union Stock Yards: Cattle, 3,400; calves, 800; hogs, 7,500; sheep, 75; horses, 20; cars, 227.

Railroads entering the yards reported receipts for the day by loads as follows: Great Western, 6; Milwaukee, 28; Rock Island, 4; Omaha, 47; Great Northern, 51; St. Louis, 42.



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